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Bird Man Cries Fowl

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Food Stamps

A fear of being stigmatized at the checkout line may be preventing some students from receiving what the government believes they're entitled to.

The federal government sets the standards to determine who is eligible for food stamps. The program is designed to help those who fall below those standards. Anyone who is depriving themselves out of fear of being looked down upon as a government chiseler is being foolish. It's easy to qualify for food stamps only if you are really eligible. There's a

popular misconception that all one has to do is lie a lot to the government to qualify for food stamps. Politicians point at persons who make large salaries and are receiving food stamps as an excuse to cut back the program.

This type of fraud will inevitably occur in a program as large as that of food stamps. But it's infrequent, and the vast majority of those who receive them have been determined by the government to have a clear need for a supplement to their income.

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A Real Card

If your TV Guide has been arriving on Wednesday and you need it Saturday or if the centerfold is missing from your favorite magazine, the Postal Service wants you to put it in writing.

Perturbed postal patrons may now obtain prepaid customer service cards from mailmen and post offices. Complaints written on the

cards will get quick attention, the Postal Service says.

It might be a good idea to drop the cards off at a post office. If they're mailed it may be a long time before you get an answer. Then you would have to complain about your complaint.

CB



The Ancient Mariner

Another Viewpoint

On Cal Poly

Cal Poly finds itself caught up in a controversy within the city of San Luis Obispo. A strong "no-growth" faction there charges the state college is exceeding its projected enrollment figures, forcing a larger student population upon the community.

The result, the "no-growth" people point out, is a demand for more housing for young people, a consequent demand for more utility service and, of course, a need for more municipal spending for streets, maintenance and such safety forces as the police and fire departments.

The university has a long and distinguished record in serving the Central Coast and has been a priceless asset to San Luis Obispo. Its growth into a larger institution is simply a reflection of the fact that it is doing its job.

And it does seem quite possible that the college has outgrown its city.

It seems pertinent, then, to bring up once more the possibility of extending the services offered at Hancock College in Santa Maria so that it will provide four year education with commensurate degrees. Cal Poly does absorb a large number of students from the area from Arroyo Grande and Grover City south to Lompoc and Buellton. By expanding Hancock into a four year facility, the growth problems and opposition that occur now in San Luis Obispo would be eased.

Thus a four year collegiate institution here would solve two problems-by better serving this growing area and by taking the pressures off another.

Santa Maria Times

'Rip Off'

An open letter to Gov. Brown:

It is with reluctance that I submit an additional problem to your already busy schedule. However, I feel that the people of North San Luis Obispo County can no longer tolerate the "Rip Off" being given us by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Agencies of our government responsible for corrective action do not seem willing to take appropriate action.

Perhaps your office can press the magic button which will put the wheels in motion to correct our problems with PT and T.

Letters

It is my hope that Vernon Sturgeon can be removed or required to resign from the Public Utilities Commission. He supposedly resides in nearby Paso Robles, and he must know of the problems faced in our area.

He takes no positive action even though he continues to draw more than \$5,500 per year from his phony legislative pension as well as his salary of more than \$30,000 per year for being a member of the PUC. I believe we are entitled to results.

1. It is unfair for small business firms to pay a toll charge on every phone call to San Luis Obispo.

2. It is unfair for hundreds of North County students to pay toll charges on every call

from Cal Poly or Cuesta College to homes in North County.

3. Many senior citizens living in North County must pay unfair toll rates when they phone the Social Security Office and other agencies in San Luis Obispo except for county offices.

4. Many families in North County have been unable to obtain phone service even though they have a desperate need. On the other hand, some families are able to obtain phone service even though there is no real need.

5. The phone company has used time of employees, equipment and management time to engage in political activities of a partisan nature.

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Weather

Partly cloudy Friday through Saturday with a chance of rain. Highs both days will be in the mid-60s to low 70s. Small craft advisory for southerly winds 15-30 miles per hour.

Letters

Mustang Daily welcomes letters from all viewpoints. Length of letters should be limited to 150 words—typed and double spaced. Letters will not be published

without a signature and student I.D. number. We reserve the right to edit for libel and length. Sorry, but no poetry is accepted. Bring letters to Graphic Arts, Room 226.

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A Birdbrain...

Poly Student A Master Falconer

by CHERYL WINFREY
Daily Staff Writer

Ron Walker's hobby is for the birds.

Walker is a falconer. He holds a masters license and works with the Department of Fish and Game rehabilitating injured birds of prey.

The 21 year old Cal Poly biology major has worked with birds for 10 years. And he has enjoyed every minute of it.

"It is the flight, the relationship you have with the falcon on the hunt," that makes falconry a rewarding past time.

Walker worked with his first bird—a kestrel—at the age of 11. Since then he has wormed his way through several books on falconry. He credits his expertise to reading and a flock of practical experience gained working with birds.

In the past ten years Walker has worked with a variety of birds: golden eagles, falcons, hawks and owls. He recently lost a prairie falcon he had been training 18 months. He flew the bird back (at liberty), when in Newport Beach and the bird never returned.

Walker said raptorial birds

have no homing instinct. They are normally kept tethered so they won't take off. In hunting the bird is flown back and sometimes doesn't return.

"They'll stay in the general area but do not come back to your house," Walker said. "Sometimes you have to leave them overnight and go out early the next day before sunrise."

Indy, Walker's goshawk, was given to him by a friend who learned of the loss of his prairie falcon. Indy is an eyas (a young bird taken from the nest) from Montana. He is brown and white but will turn bluish-backed with a light breast after he molts next spring. Walker has been training him for about one week.

Indy will be trained to hunt from the wrist. Patient training, three to four hours a day, is required. The bird is taught to jump from his perch to the falconer's gloved wrist. Each day the distance jumped is increased until the bird learns to fly to the wrist.

Certain types of birds, like

falcons, are trained to "wait on." The use of a lure eventually teaches the bird to circle above the falconer's head until game is flushed from the field below. The bird then stoops for the kill.

Walker feeds his goshawk and kestrel "live birds: pigeons, doves, ducks" that he traps or shoots.

A trained bird is allowed to eat only a portion of the kill, such as the head, so that the falconer may keep the rest. While in training a bird is allowed to eat his first few kills so as not to discourage him.

Walker belongs to the California Hawking Club, an organization with over 600 members. The club hosts an annual meet where falconers gather to hunt. In

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Prof Critical Of Critics

by FRED FULIN
Daily Co-Editor

"A liberal critic
is an intellectual
humanist who
rejects hard
facts, big
business and
Doris Day."

Charles Strong took a critical look at the critics Thursday and the analysts of art and music didn't fare too well.

An English professor here, Strong took the podium during college hour and condemned the Critic and his effect on the intellectual in today's growing society.

His speech was the first in a series of lectures for the Fall Quarter sponsored by the School of Communicative Arts and Humanities.

As a member of the teaching elite, Strong said he saw the danger of alienating students from the understanding of the humanities:

"Critics and theoreticians tell us how art must work. Students tend to lose connection with the arts because they are unable to relate to elitist ideals. When students cannot swallow their ideas they lose interest in the subject."

Being wary of systems of psychological and sociological investigation, Strong claimed these forms of criticisms tended to veer from the true essence of art.

A main flaw in the critic's approach, according to Strong, is his ability to make snap judgments after reading the minimum on the subject and then quoting the authors as the experts on the subject.

Perhaps the place where the critic flounders, said the English professor, is his attempt to "intellectualize" art. Said Strong, "Art cannot be determined—we cannot tell exactly what art is."

Strong received a few chuckles from the audience when he divided critics into two categories—liberal and conservative.

"A liberal critic is an intellectual humanist who suspects all," he explained. "They reject hard facts, big business and Doris Day." He went on to say that a conser-

vative critic works from facts and finds appreciation in computers and engineering problems.

While poking intellectual arrows into the sides of critics, Strong also reminded the standing-room-only audience in the University Union Rm. 220 that "We must keep our attention on what art does for us," he said.

This is where the liberal critic falls in his attempt to interpret art—be it in the form of literature or the physical variety. "The liberal critic fits arts' function to his own self-serving means, giving opinions with little precise background," he said.

Then there is the new criticism, said Strong, which gives the 20th century person all the benefits of modern-day technology. The new criticism, he said, focuses on a work and looks at it as an artifact—with no regard to the persons or heritage behind that artifact.



Hot Blues Band Here Saturday

The hot smokin' Climax Blues Band, straight from the suburbs of London, will set their scorching feet on the Chumash Auditorium stage of the University Union this Sunday, Oct. 12, 8 p.m. Booking as late as they can, thanks to the Associated Students, Inc. Concert Committee, Climax B.B. is still

cheap to see, that is if you rush to the ASI ticket desk before 2 p.m. today.

Advance tickets cost \$5.50 for university students owning an ASI card, \$4 for all others. After 2 p.m., tickets will burn holes at \$4.50 for university students and \$5 for all others.

For further information call 546-2476.

Introductory AIDS Program

An orientation program, featuring slides and a question and answer period, will be presented Monday at 7 p.m. in Rm. 218 of Chumash Auditorium by the Atascadero Interpersonal Development Skills.

Further information is available at the Student Community Service Office, located in University Union, Rm. 217.

Local Folk Talent To Jam At Festival

Folk fans grab your guitars, mandolins and moonshine jugs and jam over to Cuesta Park on October 18 for the Folk Festival and Community Picnic.

From noon until dusk, the folk festival, complete with square dancing, will be combined with a community picnic to which everyone is invited to bring their picnics.

Performing at the festival will be folk talent from the San Luis Obispo area representing a complete spectrum in folk music from traditional to contemporary.

One of the highlights of the day will be the Yaxoo City Rhythm Kings, a traditional bluegrass string band including Joe Yenovkian on fiddle, Jack McGrath on banjo and Pat McGrath on guitar.

The Kings entertain frequently at the Pozo Saloon in Pozo and recently picked and strummed for the Tuborg Festival audience.

The Pratt Family Singers, representing the San Francisco Folk Music Club, per-

form traditional folk in intricate harmonies derived from the Southern folk style of the 1920's and 30's. The Pratt Family performed at the Santa Rosa Folk Festival in August and entertain patrons of the Freight and Salvage in Berkeley.

Local club and restaurant entertainers George Keller and Jana Heller generate contemporary folk, rendering many original tunes on guitar, dulcimer and mandolin. The two performers recently completed an engagement at the Troubadour in Los Angeles.

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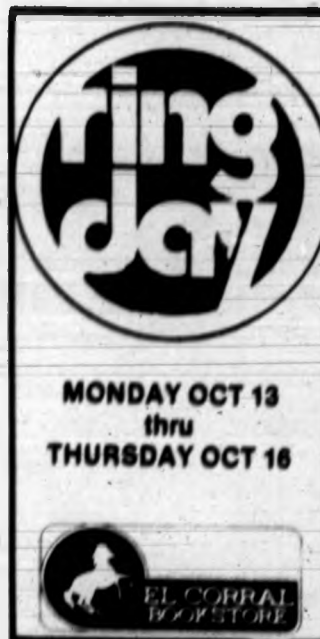
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The public is urged to come and make a day of it by bringing a picnic and refreshments and have the chance of winning a kite simply by signing the attendance list.

Laguna Lake Park is on Madonna Road past the Madonna plaza from Highway 101.

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News

At

A

Glance

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Federal Defender E. Richard Walker, who is Miss Fromme's co-counsel, took the appeal to the high court, said he was "disappointed."

"I still think the bail is excessive, all the judicial opinions to the contrary," he said.

Douglas simply wrote "denied" on the request, filed Monday, for freedom or reduction of her \$350,000 bail.

SAN DIEGO UPI— A man carrying a rifle equipped with a telescopic sight was arrested by the Secret Service Thursday on a bridge near the San Diego Airport shortly after Emperor Hirohito passed beneath in a motorcade.

Police Capt. Daniel

Guaderrama said the man was being questioned by the Secret Service. He said the man's identity had not yet been revealed.

OSLO, UPI— Andrei Sakharov, who helped produce the Russian hydrogen bomb but later became the leading domestic critic of the Soviet system, won the 1975 Nobel Peace Prize Thursday for his lonely human rights campaign.

In giving the peace award, to a Russian for the first time, the Nobel Prize Committee cited Sakharov's "fearless effort in the cause of peace among mankind," and his warning against "bogus detente" between East and West.

WASHINGTON (UPI)— The House Ways and Means Committee Thursday voted to more than double the maximum tax deductions congressmen may take for living expenses in Washington.

Committee members insisted that the changes would merely put legislators on a par with the tax deductions claimed by businessmen and reporters.

The committee action came on a voice vote with only Rep. Richard Vander

Veen, D-Mich., dissenting, saying he still was having trouble explaining the last congressional salary increase.

The tax-writing committee also approved changes in tax law which would result in increased tax breaks for most state legislators.

If Congress eventually approves the committee's action, House members, senators and state legislators could take up to \$44 per day for expenses incurred in living in Washington or their state capitols, although congressmen would be under greater restraints than the legislators.

A congressman would have to actually attend a day's session and answer a roll call to claim the \$44. It could not be claimed on weekends, recesses or days the congressional body was not in session.

WASHINGTON (UPI)— Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield Thursday denounced the proposed sending of 200 Americans to monitor the Sinal accord, saying it could drag the United States into a new Vietnam-type intervention in the Middle East or even war with Russia.

Birdman: Master Falcon Sorcerer

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the past, the meet has been open to the public but due to rising popularity, will be closed to the public in the future.

Walker began working with injured birds after meeting a local game warden. Periodically a warden may confiscate a bird from an unlicensed person who has taken it from a nest. Other birds are found by people and brought to the game department for care.

"I keep a bird until it is well," he said. "That may be two weeks or two years. A lot of birds get shot around here. Everyone has the feeling that every hawk is a chicken hawk. The ones that can be released, I release; ones that can't go to zoos or to individuals."

Walker rehabilitates a bird by teaching it to kill and live on its own. He takes an injured bird to Santa Cruz for medical treatment.

Walker receives no pay for the work he does. He eventually wants to go

into ornithology and work as a rafter pathologist. He is also interested in breeding raptorial birds, especially endangered species like the peregrine falcon.

Like the birds he trains, Master falconer Walker may be becoming a rare breed.

Falconers are required by law to have an apprentice license before obtaining a bird. Regulations are designed to protect birds from improper handling and care.

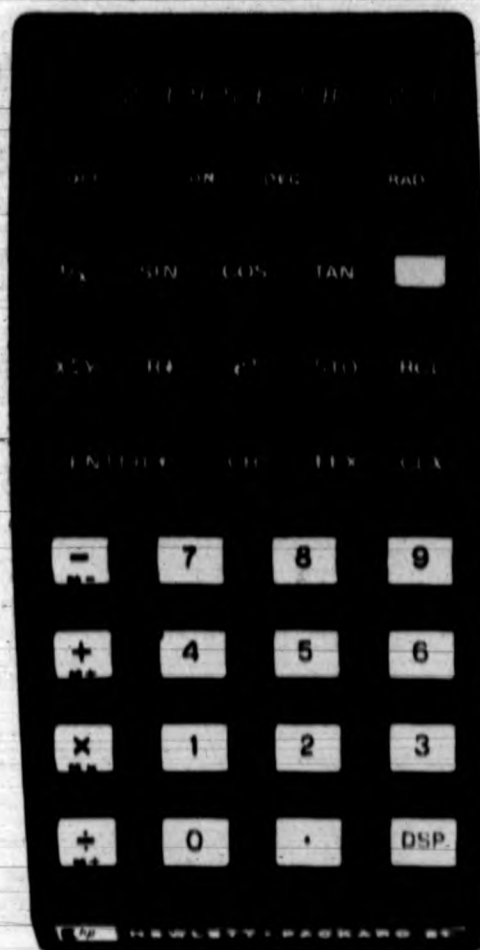
Apprentice falconers must show they have proper facilities to keep a bird before a license is issued. A mews, consisting of a room with a perch screen, correct ventilation and early morning light, is required.

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by DIANE BOOTH
Daily Staff Writer

Casa De Vida's unique family makes this 'house of life' a home.

The family is composed of 60 members aged 4 to 67, all of whom have primary or secondary cases of mental retardation.

The bonds that unite the center's residents are boundless warmth and their multiple handicaps.

Debbie Camara, director of volunteers, said "Casa De Vida attempts to normalize the residents but more importantly, to normalize their environment and to create a home-like atmosphere."

Eighty staff members provide round-the-clock nursing care and act as 'parents' for the residents.

The center is divided into two sections, the adult wing, whose residents are 18 to 67 years old and the baby wing for those between the ages of 4-12.

The facility includes a garden, aviary, backyard and workshop.

Some of the children leave the center to attend Teach, Avila and Chris Jespersen Schools, but there is also an education program at the center called Friendship School.

The residents interact as a family at their dances and parties and circulate within the community with their field trips, art shows and bowling.

Naomi Nach, teacher of Friendship School, said the staff works with residents on

a one-to-one basis "We think of our relationships with our residents as friendships."

"Each resident is expected to live up to his highest potential, whether that is dressing himself or performing at a third grade class level," says Camara.

Just like any other family the residents of Casa De Vida are individuals and have minds and interests of their own.

Chris, 26, is a rock'n roll fanatic and idolizes dee-jays, especially KSLY's Captain Buffoon. Every morning Chris calls the Captain and they swap shop talk. Occasionally the Captain pays Chris a visit.

Ron, 24, lives his life from a wheelchair which he is adept at maneuvering. He

has competed in the International Special Olympics for the handicapped, racing his chair backwards, assisted by a rear view mirror.

Lizzie, fortyish, is a cuddly cherub who delights in bestowing gooey kisses on everyone in sight. She is an avid collector of anything, but her most prized possessions are her dime store variety plastic boats which she strings together and wears around her neck.

An extension of the family is the thirty-five volunteers, many of whom are Cal Poly students who devote 4 to 10 hours weekly to the center's residents.

Anyone interested in working with the people at Casa De Vida should contact Greg Zeller at 546-2476 in the Activities Planning Center.

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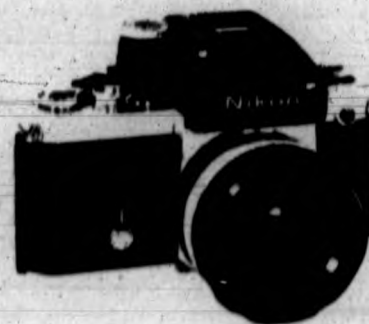
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The cities of Boise, Pocatello and San Luis Obispo have something in common. Right, all three are farm towns. But there is something else.

Each is the site of a state university which has an excellent football program. All three football teams are often listed among the top ten college division teams. Each year the three schools get together for some exciting football.

For Cal Poly this means a yearly trip to either Boise or Pocatello, Idaho, the homes of Boise State and Idaho State respectively.

Both Idaho schools have much bigger football budgets, stadiums and scholarship programs than Cal Poly. Both belong to the Big Sky Conference which has applied for University

Division Status with the big guys like USC and Ohio State.

Each year Poly prepares intensely for these two teams and plays them as equals. Poly Athletic Director, Dr. Vic Buccola, said "Our being able to compete with them shows the quality of our program. We have an excellent program here because we get the most out of our budget."

While teams like Boise State and Idaho State provide Poly with exciting and sellout football games, the net loss of sending a team to Idaho is approximately \$7,000. But the usual sellout at Poly for one of these two schools more than exceeds the \$7,000.

Scheduling more California teams to cut travel costs would not be economically feasible for Cal Poly. To cut out the road trips to Idaho would also eliminate Boise

and Idaho State traveling out here.

"Our local fans will always turn out for what they know will be good games. The Boise and Idaho State games are always sellouts. But against lesser known California schools the fan interest just isn't there," said Buccola.

Poly has several fine California home attractions, especially Fresno State, but the trip north to Idaho is always preceded with excitement. This year's trip was the first game of the season. On Sept. 20 the Poly team was in Boise for what turned out to be one of the classic Poly-Boise State games.

The team went via a chartered aircraft on the day before the game. Extra seats were sold to media, fans, and cheerleaders. Almost 19,000 fans crowded into a new Boise stadium to see Poly lose narrowly to a nationally ranked Boise State team.

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